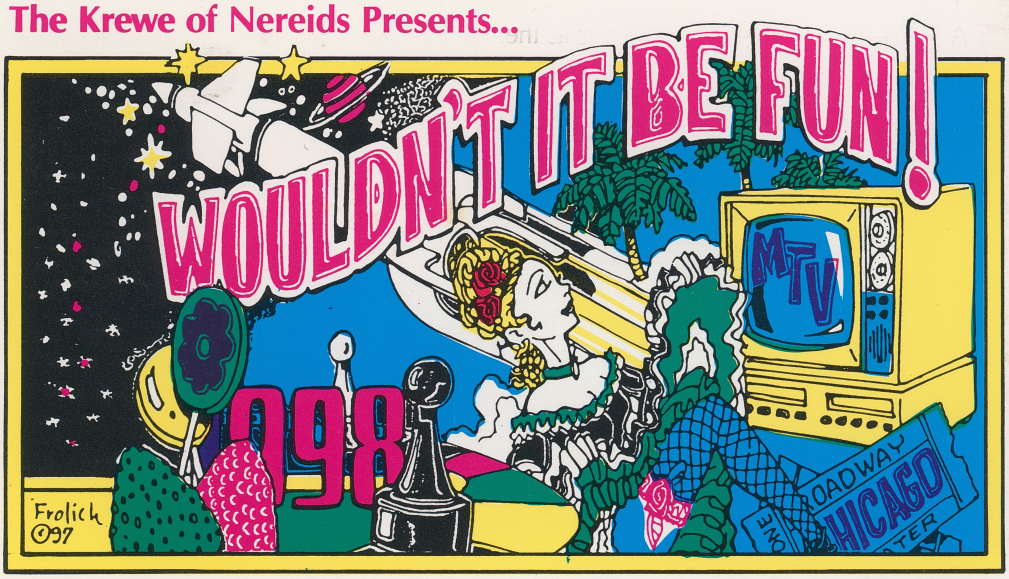
THE KREWE OF NEREIDS

presents

THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL BAL MASQUE

SATURDAY EVENING
JANUARY 31, 1998
MISSISSIPPI COAST COLISEUM
BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI

The Krewe of Nereids Presents...



Wouldn't it be fun to be a Circus Performer! Wouldn't it be fun to be a Movie Star! How about the fun of being Captain Kirk on the Spaceship Enterprise!

The fun begins tonight as Nereids invites you to fulfill your dreams of fun. Capture the make-believe of life in your everyday world. Imagine yourself with wings, able to fly!

Forget about time. Forget about space. You can be anywhere at any time. Nereids will take you to the ends of the world and to the ends of time and space.

Wouldn't it be fun if everyone had the Mardi Gras Spirit, that celebrated *Joie de Vivre* or enthusiasm for life! It's the spirit captured tonight as the Krewe of Nereids explores the world of imagined fun. Fun rules the night as Nereids takes you from the thrills of an African Safari to the rollicking chorus line of the Moulin Rouge. Come with us. It's a Celebration of Fun!

Our Tableaux Unfolds...

The Maestro raises his baton as we enjoy the spirited overture to "WOULDN'T IT BE FUN...!"

- The Captain's whistle signals the beginning of our THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL SPECTACULAR CARNIVAL BALL as we welcome. . .
- The ROYAL COURT OF 1997 recalling the RICH CULTURAL HERITAGE we have right here on the MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST as "NEREIDS STAYS HOME!"
- All hail their ROYAL MAJESTIES, our 1997 KING and QUEEN, before. . .
- The SCEPTER BEARER makes a TRADITIONAL APPEARANCE.
- Behold the spotting of the CREST OF NEREIDS as a PRELUDE to the GAIETY of our FUN FILLED SHOW.
- Our KREWE OFFICERS extend a "WELCOME TO THE BALL" and invite you to LINGER AWHILE.
- Behold the entrance of the CAPTAIN OF NEREIDS, who, in PURPLE, GREEN, AND GOLD, invites everyone to REVEL IN THE MUSIC and HIGH SPIRITS OF MARDI GRAS.

- A TRIPLE DOSE OF FUN awaits us as the KREWE takes us to CANDYLAND where we are surrounded by the CANDYMAN, LOLLIPOPS, and PEPPERMINT TWISTS.

- Wouldn't it be fun to HOBNOB with BROADWAY STARS and attend the TONY AWARDS!

- Imagine the STIMULATING LIFE of a PRODUCER OF MTV. Wouldn't that be FUN!

- CLOWN AROUND with a visit to the CIRCUS, only this one is in OUTER SPACE!

- MIXING ENCHANTMENT and IMAGINATION, the MAIDS and DUKES of our 1998 ROYAL COURT appear and ask,

"Wouldn't It Be Fun..."

"TO BE A CIRCUS PERFORMER,"
Under the Big Top

"TO ATTEND CARNIVAL IN VENICE,"
For a Riotous Good Time

"IF WE HAD WINGS AND COULD FLY"

"TO GO ON AN AFRICAN SAFARI,"
and Triumph in the Hunt

"TO SOAR WITH THE CREW OF THE SPACESHIP ENTERPRISE,"
and Voyage beyond the Galaxy

"TO MASQUERADE AS MADAME DE POMPADOUR AND HER CONSORT,"
at an enchanting Parisian Ball

- Hail QUEEN DORIS XXXII, as she reigns as QUEEN of our MAGNIFICENT MASKED BALL.

- Her MAJESTY now calls for the CAPTAIN to ESCORT...

- KING NEREUS XXXII who bids that his SUBJECTS cast away care in the FUN OF THE EVENING.

- HONORED GUESTS are received at the REGAL THRONE before. . .

- The ROYAL COURT PROCESS in a "GRAND PROMENADE" amid a KALEIDOSCOPE OF MARDI GRAS MUSIC.

- Our LIGHT HEARTED GAIETY continues as we see ourselves as STARS at the MOULIN ROUGE.

- The JUBILANT KREWE assembles in a GRAND FINALE SALUTE to the CELEBRATION OF FUN AND IMAGINATION.

- The OFFICERS and KREWE take CENTER STAGE as they acknowledge the LIVELY GUESTS OF NEREIDS.

- The GRACIOUS and FUN LOVING CAPTAIN OF THE KREWE bids you a nostalgic "FAREWELL" until we all meet again at next year's KREWE OF NEREIDS 33rd ANNUAL BAL MASQUE EXTRAVAGANZA!

- The CALL-OUT DANCES begin, after which GENERAL DANCING adds to the HAPPY EXCITEMENT of our MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION.

THE ROYAL COURT OF

1998

KING NEREUS XXXII

DUKES TO HIS MAJESTY

Dr. Bertin C. Chevis

Mr. James R. Gurley

Mr. William Clark Breland

Mr. Nicky C. Gollott

Mr. Richard W. Redditt

Mr. Donny Lee

ROYAL PAGES TO HIS MAJESTY

Master Cody Lawson Seal

Master Jeremy Kyle Sick

ROYAL PAGES TO HER MAJESTY

Master Andrew Bertin Chevis

Master Ryan Matthew Oliver

RECOLLECTIONS

1967 - Cavalcade of American Dance
King Nereus I - Cornelius K. Herlihy*
1968 - Era of Laughter
King Nereus II - Merlin R. Markel
1996 - Carnival in Rio
King Nereus III - Henry Develle, Jr.*
1970 - Spirit of America
King Nereus IV - W. Ray Gordon*
1971 - Opening Nights
King Nereus V - James DeBlanc*
1972 - Three Ring Circus
King Nereus VI - Haskell L. Doyle*
1973 - Echoes of Famous Streets
King Nereus VII - John Gallagher
1974 - The Enchanted Toy Shop
King Nereus VIII - T. Dixon Ashman
1975 - The Jazz Age
King Nereus IX - David L. Johnson
1976 - Hawaii, The 50th State
King Nereus X - Lucien M. Gex, Jr.
1977 - State Fair
King Nereus XI - Vincent Schott
1978 - Ooooh La La, Paree!
King Nereus XII - Clifford P. Vogt*
1979 - Classic Greece
King Nereus XIII - Luke Caruso
1980 - Space Fantasy
King Nereus XIV - Robert W. Wyatt, Jr.
1981 - Fiesta! Fiesta!
King Nereus XV - Donald W. Diboll
1982 - The Adventures of Alice
King Nereus XVI - Arthur J. Chapman III
1983 - Yankee Doodle Dandy
King Nereus XVII - Thomas W. Kidd
1984 - It's A Small World
King Nereus XVIII - Gerald C. Gex
1985 - Sunday in the Park
King Nereus XIX - Alvin G. Bernard
1986 - It's Mardi Gras Time
King Nereus XX - Harold M. Hitt
1987 - And So It Was ... Dixieland
King Nereus XXI - Joseph W. Gex
1988 - Entertainment, U.S.A.
King Nereus XXII - William B. Whitfield
1989 - Let's Rock 'N' Roll
King Nereus XXIII - Herbert T. Dubuisson
1990 - Nereids Visits Oz
King Nereus XXIV - Clarence L. Moran
1991 - The Way We Never Were
King Nereus XXV - R. Terry Markel
1992 - Viva Las Vegas
King Nereus XXVI - Donald Caserta
1993 - Nereids Awards the Oscars
King Nereus XXVII - Armand H. Serpas, Sr.
1994 - The Big Band Era
King Nereus XXVIII - Michael Richardson
1995 - New York, New York
King Nereus XXIX - Dr. Andrew K. Martinolich
1996 - It's A Celebration
King Nereus XXX - Keith A. Ladner
1997 - Nereids Stays Home
King Nereus XXXI - Dr. Allen J. Koskan, Jr.

*Deceased

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Sunday, February 15, 1998
1 P.M.
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